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EVENT: Sentence

Defendant: Danny L. Duis

Prison Sentence Imposed In Child Pornography Case

Danny L. Duis, 53, formerly of Saginaw, Michigan, was sentenced on November 8, 2005, by United States District Court Judge David M. Lawson.

Duis pled guilty and agreed to the forfeiture of his house and two computers on November 16, 2004. Though Duis stipulated to facts in his plea agreement that gave rise to a sentence range under the federal sentencing guidelines of 70 to 78 months, Judge Lawson imposed a sentence of 30 months followed by 3 years of supervised release. The government also obtained \$30,000 in forfeiture proceeds.

Duis, a veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps. and retired air traffic controller for the Federal Aviation Administration, had collected approximately 40,000 images and video clips containing child pornography between at least April of 1999 and August of 2004. Images of a minor female being subjected to sadomasochistic conduct were found in the collection of child pornography compiled by Duis.

United States Attorney Steven J. Murphy commended the cyber crimes unit in Bay City,

Michigan for its work on the investigation and prosecution of Danny L. Duis. The Bay City cyber crimes unit is composed of law enforcement officers from the Saginaw County Sheriff's Department, Michigan State Police, the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the United States Secret Service. That unit may be reached at 989-891-1070 by people with tips on crimes involving computers.